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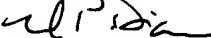
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	6,191,007 B1	02/20/01	Matsui et al.	438	459	
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